

By consent, Mr. Hobson withdrew the bill.

S. B. 537, bill to amend section 1285 of *The Code*, on its second reading.

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MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

A message was received from the House of Representatives transmitting engrossed House bills and House amendments to Senate bills, which were read the first time and disposed of as follows:

H. B. 99, S. B. 767, bill to amend section 2589 of *The Code*, so as to increase the public school fund to fourteen cents on property and forty-two cents on poll. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

H. B. 384, S. B. 768, bill to protect fish in certain streams in Mitchell, Watauga and Caldwell counties. Referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

H. B. 434, S. B. 769, bill for the relief of the North Carolina Industrial Association. Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Mechanics and Mining.

H. B. 776, S. B. 771, bill to repeal the charter of the Buncombe Turnpike Company. Placed on the Calendar.

H. B. 573, S. B. 772, bill to incorporate Scottish Brownstone Company. Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

H. B. 573, S. B. 773, bill to incorporate Scotland Neck Bank. Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

House amendments to S. B. 427, H. B. 812, bill to amend chapter 183, Private Laws of 1889, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Marion in McDowell County, was, on motion of Mr. Reid, concurred in and ordered enrolled.

Also, a message transmitting a communication from his Excellency the Governor, with a letter from Hon. W. L. Saunders, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the University, announcing the death of Hon. C. R. Thomas, a mem-